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## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Construction of the highway bridge in Guben on the former Frankfurt Strasse (now the Strasse der Freundschaft) is in progress. The site is enclosed by a thick wooden fence and is guarded by armed sentries of the new East German Army. At present, the five piers supporting the bridge are timbered; it is not known if the concrete has been poured. the upper structure of the bridge will be of steel. It is unlikely that the work will be completed before late spring 1953. 25X1
2. The single track railroad bridge at Guben to the south over the Neisse has been cleared. the job was done suddenly and urgently in November 1952. Before then, the 1 1/2 km. of track between the bridge and the railroad station was blocked with burned freight cars. The line was cleared in November 1952 by removing the bogies and simply tipping the framework of the cars over the embankment. No trains have been taken over this section of the line, as is evident from the rust on the rails. 25X1
3. The highway bridge at Goerlitz has been finished except for minor clearing-up jobs; all the scaffolding has been dismantled. New foundations for both piers are being laid for the viaduct. However, work is proceeding very slowly.

Enclosure: Sketch of highway and railroad bridges in Guben (1 page)

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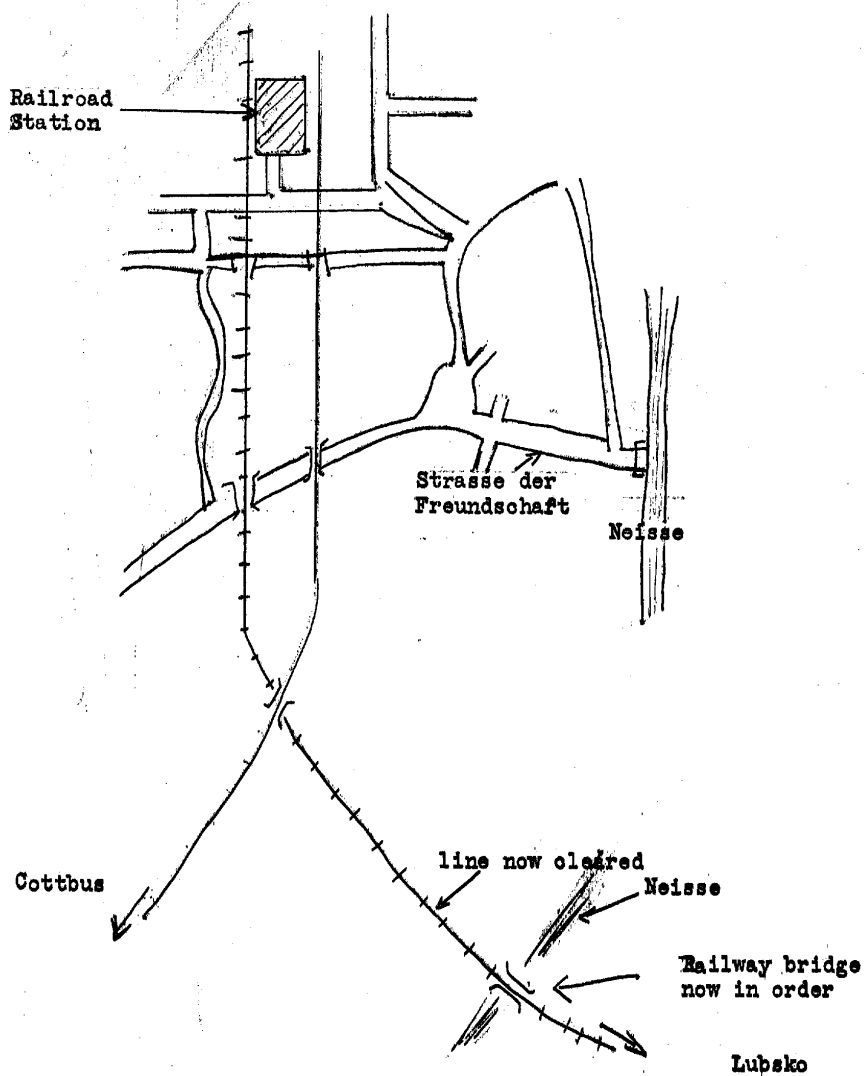
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Highway and Railroad Bridges at Guben



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